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## **RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED JUNE 20, 2006**

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated June 20, 2006, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on July 20, 2006, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicant believes that no additional fees are due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/APPM/005975.P1/KMT, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

The Pending Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.